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SUBJECT: SOVIET JEWISH EMIGRATION IN FEBRUARY 1976

1. ISRAELI EMBOFF HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT DURING FEBRUARY 1218 SOVIET JEWS WITH EXIT VISAS FOR ISRAEL ARRIVED IN VIENNA. ALSO IN FEBRUARY, 515 SOVIET JEWS WITH EXIT VISAS FOR ISRAEL CHANGED DIRECTIONS IN VIENNA AND TRAVELLED TO OTHER COUNTRIES FOR SETTLEMENT. ARRIVALS IN ISRAEL DURING MONTH WERE 646.

2. ISRAELI EMBOFF ALSO SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD APPROXIMATELY 60 "REFUSENIKS" HAVE LEFT THE SOVIET UNION SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, MOST OF THEM IN FEBRUARY. NOT ALL WERE HIGHLY PROMINENT FIGURES LIKE LUNTS OR PIATETSKY-SHAPIRO, BUT ALL HAD BEEN REFUSED
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EXIT AT LEAST ONCE. DEPARTMENT REALIZES THIS WOULD

BE DIFFICULT TO CONFIRM, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY
COMMENT BASED ON INFORMATION FROM LOCAL SOURCES. KISSINGER

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